# Notice of Agency Rule-making Proposal

AGENCY: Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Office of Licensing and Registration

RULE TITLE OR SUBJECT: Chapter 10, Establishment of License Fees

PROPOSED RULE NUMBER: 98-P

(LEAVE BLANK - ASSIGNED BY SECRETARY OF STATE):

**CONCISE SUMMARY** (UNDERSTANDABLE BY AVERAGE CITIZEN): The proposed rule increases license fees for auctioneers and real estate appraisers, and eliminates fees that relate to qualifying education and continuing education for real estate appraisers. Specifically, the annual license fee for auctioneers is increased from \$175 to \$200. The examination fee for auctioneers is increased from \$100 to \$150. The biennial license fee for certified general real estate appraisers, certified residential real estate appraisers and licensed real property appraisers is increased from \$400 to \$450. The biennial license fee for trainee real property appraisers is increased from \$300 to \$450. The following fees for real estate appraiser education are eliminated: (a) continuing education course application (currently \$50), (b) qualifying education course application (currently \$50), and (d) individual request for course approval (currently \$10).

The statement of economic impact on small business required by 5 MRSA §8052(5-A) may be obtained from the agency contact person.

THIS RULE WILL	WILL NOT $\boxtimes$	HAVE A FISCAI	L IMPACT ON	MUNICIPALITIES.
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**STATUTORY AUTHORITY:** OLR director uniform fee authority: 10 MRSA §8003(2-A)(D) and (E). OLR director fee authority in board statutes: 32 MRSA §287-A (Board of Licensing of Auctioneers); 32 MRSA §14012-A (Board of Real Estate Appraisers).

### **PUBLIC HEARING**):

(IF ANY, GIVE DATE, TIME, LOCATION)

August 4, 2008, 9:30 a.m., Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, 122 Northern Avenue, Gardiner, Maine

**DEADLINE FOR COMMENTS:** August 14, 2008

**AGENCY CONTACT PERSON:** Jeffrey Frankel, OLR Staff Attorney

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PROPOSED RULE AVAILABLE ON LINE AT: www.maine.gov/professionallicensing

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#### 02 DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL AND FINANCIAL REGULATION

#### 041 OFFICE OF LICENSING AND REGISTRATION

#### Chapter 10: ESTABLISHMENT OF LICENSE FEES

Summary: This chapter establishes fees for professional and occupational licenses and registrations issued by the Office of Licensing and Registration.

[Section 5, subsections 7 and 34 of Chapter 10 are amended as shown below. No other changes are made to this chapter.]

### 7. Board of Licensing of Auctioneers

Auctioneer	1 yr	<del>\$175</del> <u>\$200</u>
Application	NA	\$50
Examination	NA	<del>\$100</del> \$150

### 34. Board of Real Estate Appraisers

Certified General Real Property Appraiser	2 yr	<del>\$400</del> <u>\$450</u>
Certified Residential Real Property Appraiser	2 yr	<del>\$400</del> \$450
Licensed Real Property Appraiser	2 yr	<del>\$400</del> \$450
Trainee Real Property Appraiser	2 yr	<del>\$300</del> \$450
Temporary License	6 mo	\$100
Application	NA	\$50
Examination	NA	3d party
Continuing Education Course Application	1 yr	<del>\$50</del>
Qualifying Education Course Application	1 yr	<del>\$50</del>
Education Course Renewal	1 yr	<del>\$25</del>
Individual Request for Course Approval	1 yr	<del>\$10</del>
Late Renewal		
91 days - 2 yrs	NA	\$50

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## **EFFECTIVE DATE:**

NOTE: Ch. 11 of the Rules of the Office of Licensing and Registration establishes for all programs a uniform \$50 late fee for licenses renewed up to 90 days after expiration.